

Rothsay Open Nottingham – Wednesday 12 June 2024

Centre Court Match 1 Paul Jubb (GBR) v Jacob Fearnley (GB)

Head to head: 1st meeting

Paul Jubb biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Won his 10th career title at the M25 Nottingham after defeating Britain's Charles Broom 36 62 63 in April.
- Reached his first Challenger final of the year at the Lexus Glasgow Challenger where he was edged to the title by Clement Chidekh 06 64 61.
- Played in the main draw at Wimbledon in 2019 and 2022.
- Reached a career-high ranking of No/196 in September 2022.
- Jubb is supported by the the [LTA's Pro Scholarship Programme](#), the highest level of support offered to developing players by the LTA. It is offered to players aged between 16 and 24 with the best chance of reaching the ATP/WTA top 100 singles within five years.
- His best rankings win of 2024 came with a win against world No.60 Alex Michelson, top seed at the 2024 Lexus Surbiton Trophy, on Tuesday.

Did you know:

- Jubb trains at the LTA's National Tennis Centre.
- His tennis idols were Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic.
- Born in York, began playing tennis aged 5 and was encouraged to pursue a career in the sport after being spotted by a local coach.

Jacob Fearnley biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Sealed his first win in an ATP Challenger as he beat Bu Yunchaokete [62 75](#) on Tuesday at the Rothsay Open Nottingham.
- Has attended US college career at Texas Christian University (TCU) and has an impressive record for the TCU Horned Frogs tennis team.
- Climbed the ATP singles and doubles rankings with outstanding performances in the few tournaments he has competed in outside of his college schedule.
- Won 2023 Rothsay Open Nottingham doubles final with partner Johannus Monday.
- Took the autumn semester off college tennis last year to compete on the pro tour and picked up both singles and doubles titles at M25 Edgbaston, beating Kyle Edmund in the final and M25 Esch/Allzette in Luxembourg during the few tournaments he played.
- Will move into the top 500 of ATP rankings for the first time in his career next week.
- Best ranking win of 2024 came against world No.192 Yunchaokete yesterday.

Centre Court Match 2

Dan Evans (GBR) v Henry Searle (GB)

Head to head: 1st meeting

Dan Evans biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Since turning pro in 2008, Evans has steadily climbed up the ATP rankings, achieving a career-high of world No.21 in singles in 2023 and world No.52 in doubles in 2021.
- Was unranked in April 2018 before becoming ranked GB's No.1 British male in October 2019.
- Evans made history at the [Rothesay Open Nottingham 2022](#), lifting his second trophy to become the joint leading title holder in Nottingham. After defeating Jack Sock in the semi-finals, Evans claimed a 64 64 win at the ATP Challenger event over Jordan Thompson to wrap up the title without dropping a set.
- He was the 11th British male to win an ATP Tour singles title in when he lifted an ATP250 title in Melbourne in February 2021.
- Evans has picked up one ATP 500 title in Washington, one ATP 250 title in Melbourne, nine ATP Challenger titles and 13 ITF Future titles throughout his singles career.
- A two-time champion in Nottingham, with his most recent win coming in 2022 with full details [HERE](#)
- His best rankings win of 2024 came against world No.38 Roman Safiullin in Los Cabos on February 19th (62 64).

Did you know:

- Father David is an electrician and mother Bernadette is a nurse.
- He started playing squash first before playing tennis at 7-years-old with his father.

Henry Searle biography [HERE](#)

Career biography:

- Searle's tennis story started at his local courts where he picked up a racket for the first time. Despite no one in his family having played tennis before, Searle – a naturally sport child and big Wolverhampton football fan – had a burning love for the game from a young age.
- At the age of 12, he spent nine months at the Mouratoglou Tennis Academy, where he was able to work on his skills in the presence of some of the best players in the world – including the then rising star and now top ten player, Holger Rune.
- Went to the [LTA National Tennis Academy at Loughborough University](#), designed to help players aged 13-18 take their game to the next level through top training and ongoing support from expert coaches.
- In 2022, Searle won the 16U [LTA Junior National Championships](#) having seen off Viktor Frydrych in the final, just a week after losing out to him in the 18U event.
- Won the Wimbledon Boys' Singles title last summer, following a 6-4, 6-4 victory over world No.7 Yaroslav Demin.
- Searle became the first British boy since Stanley Matthews in 1962 to lift the Boys' singles trophy in SW19 and even more impressively, did so without dropping a single set.
- He has made an impressive start to his career in the senior ranks and reached the final of an M25 event at the Nottingham Tennis Centre in April, losing to Britain's Charles Broom in the final.

Did you know:

- Searle is a big fan of Premier League football club Wolverhampton Wanderers.
- He is also a keen golfer.

Centre Court Match 3

Katie Boulter (GBR) v Rebecca Marino (CAN)

Head to head: Boulter leads 1-0

Previous meeting: 2023 Montreal W1000 (Outdoor Hard). Boulter won [63 61](#)

Katie Boulter biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Became British No.1 for the first time after the 2023 Lexus Surbiton Trophy.
- Won her first WTA Tour title at the [2023 Rothesay Nottingham Open](#), beating fellow Britain Jodie Burrage in the first all-British WTA final since 1977 San Francisco (Barker d. Wade).
- Beat Harriet Dart in the quarter-finals of last year's Rothesay Open Nottingham. Statistics from that match [HERE](#)
- Won her first WTA Tour 500 title in [San Diego in March 2024](#) and rose to a highest career-high of World No.27 later that month.
- Recorded the biggest clay court win of her career against Clara Burel at the Billie Jean King Cup Qualifiers, where she defeated the French star 75 60 to help guide Great Britain to the 2024 Finals.
- Beat fellow Brit Harriet Dart in a match lasting 3 hours and 13 minutes in the opening round of this year's Rothesay Open Nottingham.
- Best ranking win of 2024 came against world No.5 Jessica Pegula in the United Cup on January 1st (57 64 64).

Did you know:

- She began playing tennis when she was five years old and lists her tennis idol as Serena Williams
- Boulter is a graduate of the [LTA Pro Scholarship Programme](#), the highest level of support offered to developing players aged between 16 and 24 with the best chance of reaching the ATP/WTA top 100 singles.
- Born in Leicester, she is a fan of Leicester City FC.

Rebecca Marino biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Reached the 3rd round at the 2022 US Open, equalling her best performance at a Grand Slam as she also reached the 3rd round at the 2011 French Open.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No.38 in July 2011 and she is currently at No.157 in the WTA rankings.
- Played in her only WTA Tour final at the US National Indoors in February 2011.
- Won at ITF W100 tournament in Mexico in February, beating Germany's Jule Neimeier in the final.
- Best result of 2023 came on grass reaching quarter-final at Rothesay Classic Birmingham.

Did you know:

- Parents own a construction company in Vancouver called 'Marino General Contracting'.
- Best shots are serve and forehand and her favourite surface is hard courts.

Centre Court Match 4

Heather Watson (GBR) v Karolina Pliskova (CZE)

Head to head: Watson leads 1-0

Previous meeting: 2014 Prague Open QF (Clay). Watson won 62 64

Heather Watson biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Watson represented Team GB at the 2012 and 2016 Olympic Games.
- Reaching the third round at Wimbledon on 3 occasions (2012, 2015 (had 2GPs on serve for 4-0 and twice was two points serving for the match at 5-4 final set against eventual champion Serena Williams), 2017), she reached a career-best [fourth round at the All England Club in 2022](#).
- A career highlight for Heather was winning Wimbledon with doubles partner Henri Kontinen in 2016.
- Watson matched Sue Barker's record for most wins for Great Britain in the Billie Jean King Cup (31), to enter the top 5.
- She finished runner-up at the W50 Roehampton in February 2024, losing out against Lulu Sun 75 75 in the final.
- Reached the semi-finals at last year's Rothesay Open Nottingham, losing to eventual champion Katie Boulter.
- Best rankings win of 2024 came against world No.16 Veronika Kudermetova in Dhabhi on February 5.

Did you know:

- Heather enjoys fashion, shopping and meeting up with family and friends for a good walk along the beach.
- Her mother is Michelle, father is Ian, brother is Adam and sisters are Stephanie and Julie.

Karolina Pliskova biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Two-time Grand Slam finalist at the 2016 US Open and 2021 Wimbledon.
- Reached world No.1 ranking for the first time in July 2017
- Best run on grass at Wimbledon came with runs to the 4th round in 2018 and 2019.
- Won her first title on grass courts at the LTA's Birmingham Classic in 2015
- She is also a two-time champion at the LTA's Eastbourne International (2017, 2019)
- Best rankings win for 2024 came against world No.28 Linda Noskova in Doha in February.

Did you know:

- She married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon.
- Away from the court, she enjoys fresh-water fishing, as well as contributing to her foundation which benefits various causes, including paediatric oncology and children battling cancer in her native Czech Republic
- Enjoys listening to Czech pop music and her favourite movie is Public Enemies, starring Johnny Depp and Christian Bale.